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Mr. Wittman is the Command Counsel for the Commander, Navy Installations Command (CNIC). He leads an office of more than 40 attorneys located worldwide. CNIC is the single Command responsible for maintaining, advocating, and serving as the single point of contact for Navy installations services. CNIC's mission is to provide consistent, effective and efficient shore installation services and support to sustain and improve current and future Fleet readiness and mission execution. CNIC executes delivery of installation services through its 13 regions and 79 installations. This mission involves the coordination of policy, planning, budgeting and reporting for all regions and shore installations.

Mr. Wittmann joined the Office of Counsel, Navy in 1980 and was assigned to and established the Office of Counsel, Naval Coastal Systems Center, Panama City, Florida. In 1982, he established the Office of Counsel, Naval Supply Center, Jacksonville, Florida. In 1986, he transferred to Naval Supply Systems Command, Washington DC as Associate Counsel. His next assignment was the establishment of the Office of Counsel, Officer in Charge of Construction Contracts, Madrid, Spain. In 1989, he was selected as Counsel, Atlantic Division, Naval Facilities Engineering Command, Norfolk, Virginia. Mr. Wittmann became Counsel to Commander, U.S. Pacific Fleet (COMPACFLT) in 2000, where he was responsible five Regional Offices of Counsel and for overseeing and coordinating all areas of the OGC practice within the COMPACFLT area of responsibility, comprised of more than 100 Pacific Fleet shore activities and Fleet commands ashore. He became Counsel, CNIC, in 2004 and was appointed to the Senior Executive Service in 2007.

Mr. Wittmann received a bachelor's of arts degree with teaching credentials from Colorado State in 1971 and juris doctorate degree from the University of Mississippi in 1974. He served as Senior Law Clerk for the Honorable Fred M. Winner, Chief Judge, U.S. District Court, District of Colorado from 1974-1976. He was an associate trial attorney from 1976-1979 with the law firm of White and Steele, P.C., Denver, Colorado.

Mr. Wittmann was an adjunct faculty member at Old Dominion University where he taught paralegal classes and lectured on government contract law.

Mr. Wittmann has received the Navy Distinguished Civilian Service Award, Navy Superior Civilian Service Award, and the Navy Meritorious Civilian Service Award.